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including elliptical curve systems. If the Examiner would like a copy of the book or relevant portions, please let us know.

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